(b) Whether some foreigners with Caravan of arms and ammunition containing 361 pistols of Pakistani origin caught by Delhi Police recently; and

(c) if so, whether Government have taken any stem measures to the increasing Pakistan activities aimed at subversion to India.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SYED SIBTE RAZI): (a) Government have seen the news item. Pak ISI has been changing its tactics with a view to revive militancy and carrying out violent activities in Punjab by supplying of arms, ammunition and narcotics.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Government is alive to the situation and keeping a close watch on the activities of Pak ISI. All necessary steps including gearing of intelligence and sharing of information about the movements of ISI activists are being taken. To ensure better coordination and speedy action among intelligence agency and Central/ State Security Forces; a Core Group has been constituted in the Ministry of Home Affairs which has been holding periodic meeting. Fencing and flood lighting work in Punjab sector Ganganagar and Bikaner Districts of Rajasthan has been completed. It is in progress in Jaisalmer and Banner Districts. Water Wing of BSF in Gujarat has been strenthened.

Infiltration of Pak Trained Terrorists Through Indo-Pak Border

703. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Pakistan trained terrorists which infiltrated into the Inidan Territory in the last year through Indo-Pak border;

(b) how many foreign Nationals have been arrested so far while entering Indian territory through border in the last year; and

(c) by when the Indo-Pak border fencing is expected to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SYED SIBTE RAZI): (a) 5316 terrorists.

(b) 1275 foreign nationals.

(c) Fencing/flood lighting of feasible border, already sanctioned is expected to be completed by December, 1997. Thereafter, remaining areas will be taken up, if feasible.

गुजरात में डाक वितरण प्रणाली

704. **श्री गोपाल सिंह जी सोलंकी :** क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगें कि:

(क) क्या सरकार ने गुजरात के ग्रामीण तथा आदिवासी क्षेत्रों में डाक वितरण प्रणाली की कोई समीक्षा की हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसका क्या परिणाम निकला हैं; और

(ग) क्या सरकार ने उक्त क्षेत्रों में डाक वितरण प्रणाली को सुधारने के लिए कोई दिशा-निर्देश जारी किये हैं?

संचार मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री सुखराम) : (क) जी हां। गुजरात के ग्रामीण और जनजातीय क्षेत्रों में डाक वितरण प्रणाली की समय-समय पर पुनरीक्षा की जाती हैं। पिछली पुनरीक्षा की जाती हैं। पिछली पुनरीक्षा जनवरी, 1996 में की गई थी।

(ख) ऐसी पुनरीक्षाओं के फलस्वरूप मेल रूट्स को अपग्रेड किया जाता हैं तथा डाक वितरण प्रणाली को कारगर बनाया जाता हैं। गुजरात राज्य के सभी गांवों में दैनिक डाक वितरण व्यवस्था हैं।

(ग) गुजरात डाक सर्किल के अधिकारियों को सामान्य मार्गदर्शी सिद्वांत जारी किए गए हैं।

Militant Groups based in Assam

705. SHRI TARA CHARAN MAJUMDAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Several Central Intelligence Agencies have gathered evidence of existence of at least 14 separate fundamentalist muslim militant groups based in Assam, being aided by Pakistan, Bangladesh and Iran;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether such presence can cause imminent insurgency in the country;

(d) whether Government propose to take some corrective measures in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE ,